Development and promotion of tourism in Uttaranchal

2376. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various projects for the development and promotion of tourism in the State of Uttaranchal pending for clearance; and

(b) what action has been taken by Government on the proposals?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) Development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Government/UT Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends financial assistance to the State Government/UT Administrations for tourism-related projects which are identified in consultation with them every year under the schemes Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits, Product/Infrastructure & Destination Development and Large Revenue Generating Projects.

Project proposals that are complete in all respect, as per guidelines, are processed on the basis of their inter-se priority, merit and availability of fund under the respective head.

The details of projects sanctioned for development of tourism in Uttaranchal, during the current financial year are as under:—

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl.No.	Name of Project	Amount sanctioned
1.	Purchase of water sport equipment for Development of winter Tourism	134.41
2.	Development of Nainital-Almora-Ranikhet Tourist Circuit	697.51
3.	Development of Gangotri (Distt. Uttarkashi) as a Tourist Destination	481.42
4.	Development of Kedarnath (Distt. Rudraprayag) as a Tourist Destination	453.13
5.	Integrated development of Hemkund Sahib-Ghangharia-Veliey of Flowers (Distt. Chamoli) as a Tourist Circuit	653.54
6.	Rural Tourism project in Agora Village (Dodital) Uttarkashi Distt	48.50
7.	Development of Hub village at Mottad and its satellite station	48.50
8.	Development of Rural Tourism at village Chekhoni Bora, Distt. Champavat	44.20
9.	Development of Rural Tourism at village Koti, Indroli	47.10
10.	Development of Rural Tourism at village Mana, Distt. Chamoli	50.00
11.	Development of Rural Tourism (Eco-Tourism) in Devriyatal at village Sari, Distt. Rudraprayag	45.14